

FIRST REGULAR SESSION
[TRULY AGREED TO AND FINALLY PASSED]

House Concurrent Resolution No. 4

99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

Relating to disapproving the recommendations of the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

WHEREAS, Article XIII, Section 3 of the Missouri Constitution charges the Missouri
2 Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials with setting the amounts of
3 compensation paid to statewide elected officials, legislators, and judges; and
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WHEREAS, the Constitution provides the Commission with a four-month window prior
5 to its constitutional deadline for making salary recommendations to hold public hearings around
6 the state to gather testimony related to salaries for affected state officials and to carefully
7 consider whether pay increases are warranted; and
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WHEREAS, the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials
10 has recommended that the compensation for statewide elected officials be increased by eight
11 percent over fiscal years 2018 and 2019, representing a total additional cost to the state of
12 Missouri for the recommended salary adjustments of \$54,884 in 2018 to \$57,023 in 2019; and
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WHEREAS, the Missouri Citizens' Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials
15 has also recommended that the compensation for members of the General Assembly be increased
16 by two and one-half percent for the next two years, representing a total additional cost to the state
17 of Missouri for the recommended salary adjustments of \$176,881 in 2018 to \$181,303 in 2019;
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21 **WHEREAS**, the Missouri Citizens’ Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials
22 recommended that daily expense compensation for members of the General Assembly be \$150
23 per day of service; and

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25 **WHEREAS**, the Missouri Citizens’ Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials
26 recommended the salary for judges to continue to be calculated under the formula currently in
27 place over fiscal years 2018 and 2019; and

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29 **WHEREAS**, the state has many other priorities for appropriating money in the budget
30 that are far more important than the salary increases recommended by the commission; and

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32 **WHEREAS**, the Commission’s recommendations shall take effect unless disapproved
33 by the General Assembly through a concurrent resolution process passed by two-thirds majorities
34 in each legislative chamber before February 1, 2017:

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36 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of
37 Representatives of the Ninety-ninth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
38 concurring therein, hereby disapprove the recommendations of the Missouri Citizens’
39 Commission on Compensation for Elected Officials contained in its report of December 2016;
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42 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that this resolution be sent to the Governor for his
43 approval or rejection pursuant to the Missouri Constitution.

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